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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 19, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION: 15-17

Am 3/27 Please replace page 4, lines 15-17 with the following:

B1
Figure 1 is a block diagram of the segment announcer system 100 showing one or more segment announcers 110, a communication connection 120, and one or more connected segment announcement receivers, e.g. a video recorder or a television.

Am 3/27 Please replace page 4, lines 26 through page 6, lines 5 with the following:

B2
In another preferred embodiment, the segment announcer 109 is a central data bank of descriptive information 250 about the content of various content streams 112 currently being